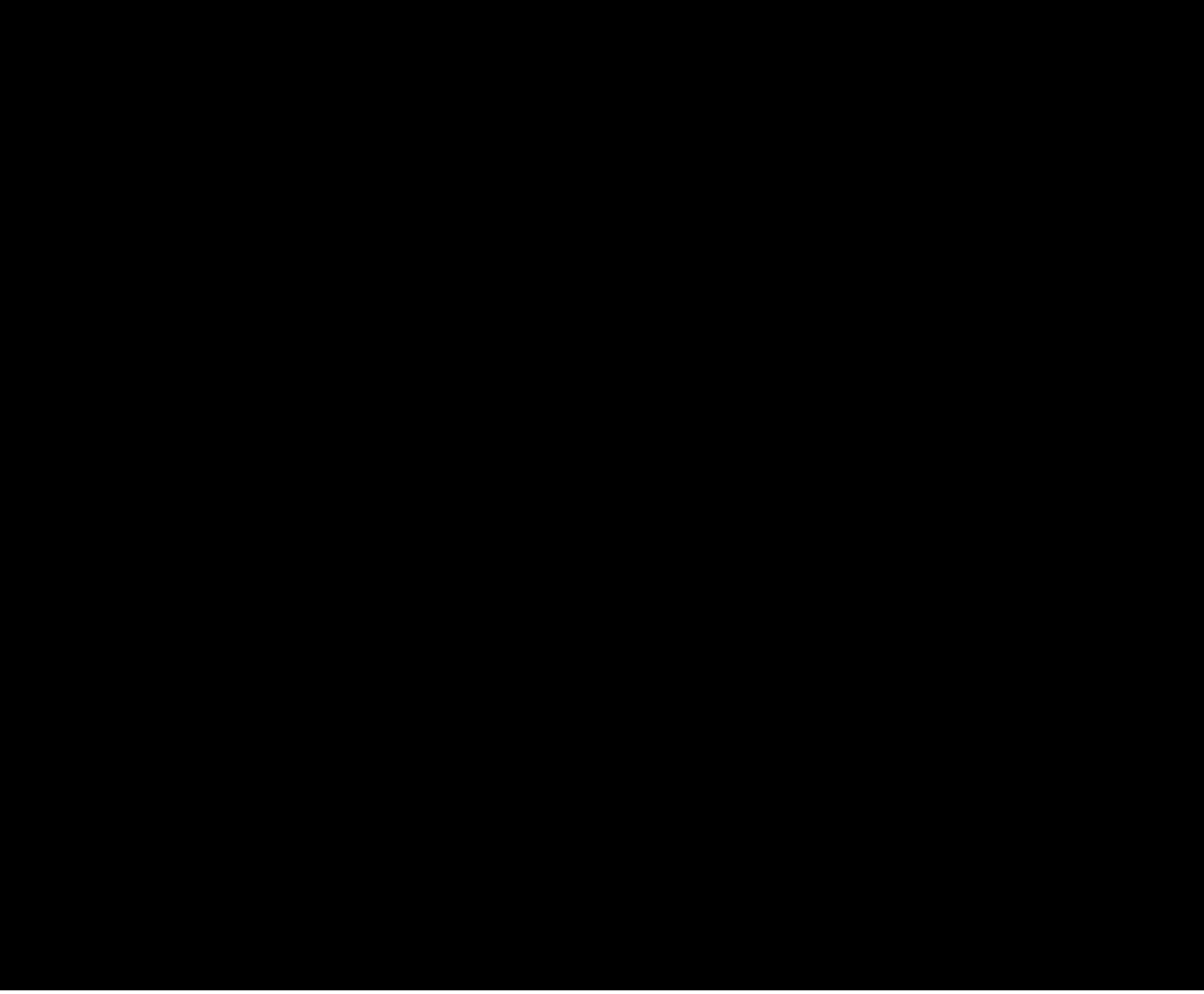


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Response to Inspector General's Recommendations  
(Inspector General Report, 21 March 1955,  
Items 5, 6, 7, 22, 23, 24)

5. The IG recommends that the AD/CI be relieved of his responsibility as COMINT Staff Officer and that this responsibility (together with that of the Elint Staff Officer) be assigned to a senior member of the Director's staff as Special Assistant to the DCI for COMINT (and Elint).

a. The IG argues that the dual functions of the AD/CI (COMINT Staff Officer and the production of current intelligence) are separable and should be separated because each is a full-time job.

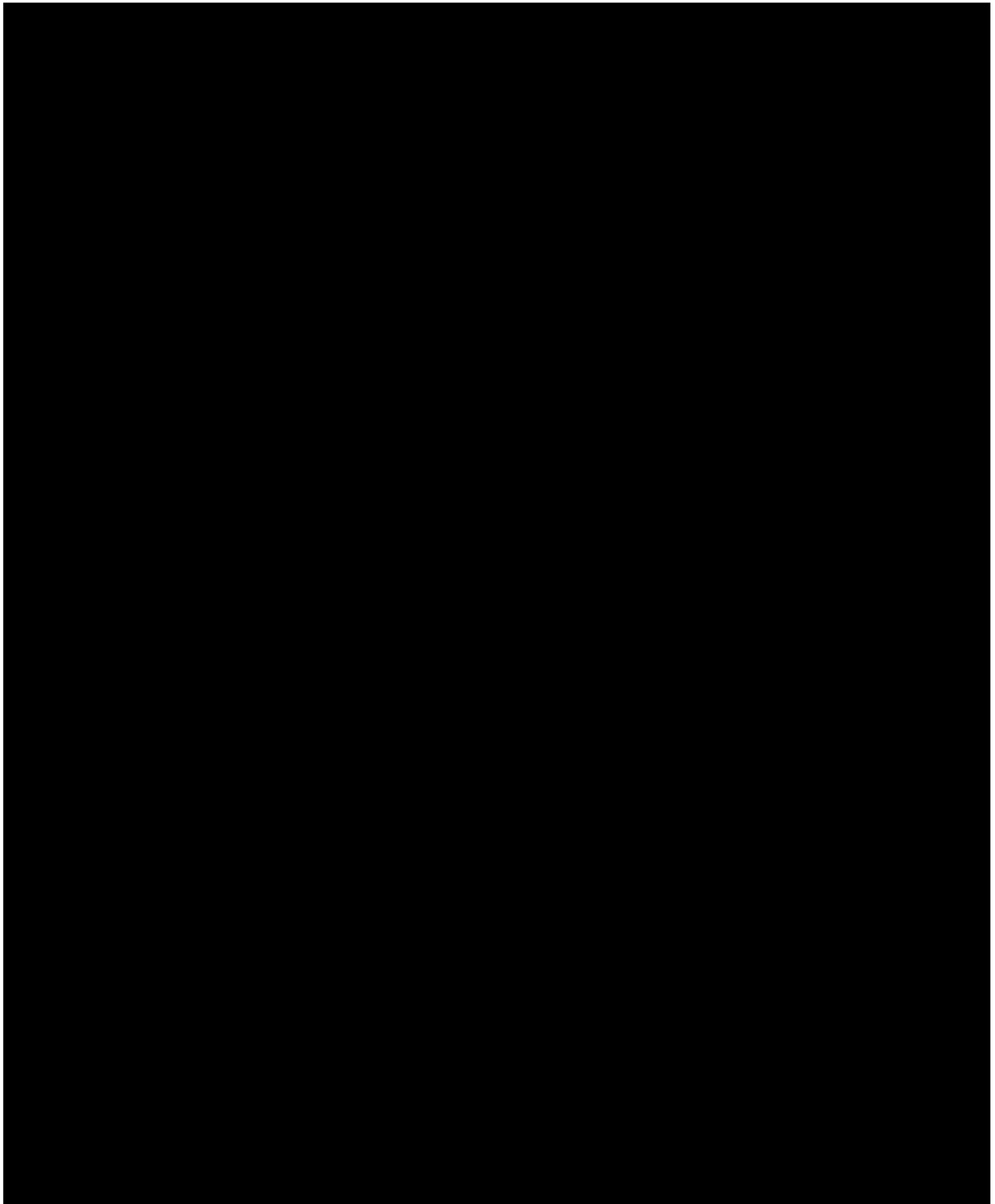


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I believe that the foregoing is a convincing response to recommendations 5, 6, and 7, and on that basis I recommend their non-adoption. With respect to recommendations 22, 23, and 24, I welcome the assistance of the Director of Security, now as in the past, and will seek his advice on the particulars mentioned in recommendations 22, 23, and 24.

22. As to COMINT Security Regulations the recently published R-120 has the concurrence of the Director of Security. These regulations, applicable within the Agency, are based on USCIB (and LSIB agreed bases). It is recognized that the daily application and interpretation of such regulations is not always easy and that at times some members of the Agency may feel that they are too restrictive. Every effort is made, however, to reach an equitable balance between the security needs and the most desirable utilization of the special material.

23. Agency Regulation 120 is believed to fulfill the need for establishing clear standards for classification of administrative material relating to COMINT. As to releasing NSCID 9 for inclusion in the Agency compendium of Intelligence Directives it is not believed that this should be done. The NSC Secretariat has purposely limited the dissemination of this paper to the minimum and in actual practice only a very few individuals would have reference to this document in the discharge of their duties.

24. This recommendation is satisfied we believe by the modernization and recent issuance of R-120.

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